

[REDACTED] (OGC) (FBI)

From: GRIGG, G. CLAYTON (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Tuesday, November 01, 2005 12:35 PM
To: TANNER, MARK A. (CTD) (FBI); [REDACTED] (OGC)(FBI)
Cc: [REDACTED] (OGC) (FBI); [REDACTED] (OGC) (FBI)
Subject: RE [REDACTED]

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Extracts from [REDACTED] are available in the Direct Database portion of the IDW. These were approved by the ISPG last year.

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UC G. Clayton Grigg
Proactive Data Exploitation Unit (PDEU), Rm 4913
Terrorist Financing Operations Section (TFOS)
Counterterrorism Division (CTD)

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(202) 324 [REDACTED] (office)
[REDACTED] (pager)

-----Original Message-----

From: TANNER, MARK A. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Tuesday, November 01, 2005 12:31 PM
To: [REDACTED] (OGC)(FBI); GRIGG, G. CLAYTON (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: [REDACTED] (OGC) (FBI); [REDACTED] (OGC) (FBI)
Subject: RE [REDACTED]

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The following was received from my staff concerning the mention of [REDACTED] in the letter:

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From: [REDACTED] (CTD)(FBI)
Sent: Tuesday, November 01, 2005 11:12 AM
To: TANNER, MARK A. (CTD) (FBI); [REDACTED] (CTD) (OGA); [REDACTED] (CTD)(FBI);
[REDACTED] (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: RE: [REDACTED]

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Mark -

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Hope this helps

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Mark A. Tanner
Director of the
Foreign Terrorist Tracking Task Force
703 [redacted]

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-----Original Message-----

From: TANNER, MARK A. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Monday, October 31, 2005 4:00 PM
To: [redacted] OGC(FBI); GRIGG, G. CLAYTON (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: [redacted] OGC (FBI) [redacted] OGC (FBI)
Subject: RE [redacted]

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I have seen and concur with [redacted] changes. With regard to [redacted] question in the answer to #2,
this [redacted]

Mark A. Tanner
Director of the
Foreign Terrorist Tracking Task Force
703 [redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted] DGC(FBI)
Sent: Monday, October 31, 2005 2:05 PM
To: TANNER, MARK A. (CTD) (FBI); GRIGG, G. CLAYTON (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: [redacted] DGC (FBI)
Subject: FW: [redacted]

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Mark, Gurvais,

These documents pertaining to FTTTF & IDW just came to NSLB's attention today. OCA has
asked us for any comment we have lit tomorrow to meet a Thursday ExecSec deadline.

We wanted to be sure you had seen these - please assure us you have.

Thanks

[redacted]

[redacted]
Policy & Training Unit
National Security Law Branch, OGC
FBI HQ Room 7947
202 [redacted]

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-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted] OGC (FBI)

Sent: Monday, October 31, 2005 1:26 PM
To: [REDACTED] (OGC)(FBI)
Cc: [REDACTED] (OGC) (FBI)
Subject: FW: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] as we discussed.
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[REDACTED]
Assistant General Counsel
Policy & Training Unit
National Security Law Branch
(202) [REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED] (OGC) (FBI)
Sent: Monday, October 31, 2005 1:04 PM
To: [REDACTED] (OCA) (FBI); TANNER, MARK A. (CTD) (FBI) [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] (INSD) (FBI)
Cc: [REDACTED] (CTD) (FBI); [REDACTED] (OCIO) (FBI); RITCHHART,
KENNETH MICHAEL (ITSD) (FBI); [REDACTED] (OGC) (FBI)
[REDACTED] (OGC) (FBI); [REDACTED] (OGC) (FBI); [REDACTED] (OGC) (FBI); KELLEY,
PATRICK W. (OGC) (FBI)
Subject: RE: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] my comments on the document are in red. I referenced the PIA that we just did for FTTTF in a couple of places. I'm attaching a copy of the entire PIA FYI. We have not yet decided what is appropriate for release/publication from the PIA so Mark Tanner (FTTTF) needs to ok use of any of the language from the PIA in this letter.

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[REDACTED] Can you send [REDACTED] a copy of the letter that is going to congress as a follow up to the FTTTF GAO report so that we can be consistent in our responses?

Finally - I'm concerned about the statement that we only have 3 data mining projects in the FBI. In the cover letter, you make the point that our definition of data mining only includes large sets of data but I still think the definition is very broad and could include other systems. For example, what about STAS systems? I am not familiar with those systems -(but we are starting work on a PIA so I will be in the near future) but my sense is that they collect and sift through a lot of data. What about EDMS and some of the other systems that collect tech cut data from FISAs and allow analysts to search through the data for relevant info? I would think that could be considered data mining under your definition - but I'll defer to the CIO's office on this issue. We just need to make sure we can distinguish these other projects.

-----Original Message-----
From: [REDACTED] (OCA) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, October 28, 2005 5:23 PM

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To: [REDACTED] (OCIO) (FBI); RITCHHART, KENNETH MICHAEL (ITSD) (FBI), [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] (OGC) (FBI)
Cc: [REDACTED] (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: RE [REDACTED]

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If I can get feedback by COB Monday, 10/31, that would be great. If you have questions, please give me a call. Thanks,

[REDACTED]
Special Counsel
Office of Congressional Affairs
202 [REDACTED]

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-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED] (OCIO) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, October 28, 2005 8:58 AM
To: RITCHHART, KENNETH MICHAEL (ITSD) (FBI); [REDACTED] (OGC)
(FBI)
Cc: [REDACTED] (OCA) (FBI); [REDACTED] (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: FW: [REDACTED]
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Ken and [REDACTED]
Your help is needed to resolve issues regarding subject response. Ken can you address issue # 2 on ICDM and [REDACTED] can you address issue # 5 on PIA.
Thanks,
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ex [REDACTED]
-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED] (OCA) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, October 27, 2005 5:25 PM
To: [REDACTED] (OCIO) (FBI)
Subject: FW: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] I understand that you have seen earlier versions of this letter and coordinated with CTD in drafting responses. We're close to finalizing the letter as described below, but still have some outstanding substantive issues - also indicated below. Please provide input from OCIO's perspective - both to the specific questions noted and to the response generally. Please call if you have questions. Thanks,

[REDACTED]
Special Counsel
Office of Congressional Affairs

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-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted] (OCA) (FBI)**Sent:** Thursday, October 27, 2005 5:24 PM**To:** GEDMINTAS, RUTA A. (CTD) (FBI); [redacted] (CTD) (FBI);

ExecSec (RMD); [redacted] (RMD) (FBI)

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Cc: [redacted] (OCA) (FBI) [redacted] (DO) (FBI)**Subject:** RE: [redacted]**UNCLASSIFIED**
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ExecSec has reassigned the matter and OCA will coordinate directly with OCIO. We will also ensure that AD Hulon and AD Azmi sign off before our AD signs the transmittal letter. However, there are still several matters that need to be clarified substantively as follows:

1. See Answer 2, para 3 on the FTTTF discussion - the inclusion of the word "routinely" begs the question - under what circumstances is the data ingested? We should clarify this part of the response as well as the sentence re white pages. CTD - please resolve this with input from FTTTF.
2. In the GAO Rpt, the ICDM is described as an initiative - i.e. not operation. To the extent it is discussed in a limited manner in the CTD response, we need to make sure that it is completely operational. If so, my modified answers to 1 and 2 need to be tweaked to reflect this development since the GAO report was issued. If it's not operational, the language in the remaining answers should be modified. OCA will reach out to OCIO to resolve this question
3. In Answer 3 paragraph 1 - who do we receive requests to run subject-based queries from? Without clarification, this feeds into the concern that we could be collecting data on individuals without predication. CTD - please clarify / respond as this is an FTTTF issue.
4. I agree with you that Answer 5 is a mishmash - I'm not sure what the answer is... Maybe we say that "FTTTF refers to an operational task force. We understand the question to ask about data mining initiatives of FTTTF" and then answer whether we've conducted an effectiveness study on the data mining initiative of FTTTF. If CTD concurs with this approach, OCA will reach out to OCIO to resolve.
5. Answer 7 - what are National Security Systems and why is the significance of them having once been exempt from PIAs, but now PIAs are mandated? OCA will coordinate with OCIO on this.

CTD - please resolve substantively to the issues identified for you above by COB Monday, 10/31. Call if you have questions. Thanks,

[redacted]
Special Counsel

Office of Congressional Affairs

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-----Original Message-----

From: GEDMINTAS, RUTA A. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, October 27, 2005 5:10 PM
To: [REDACTED] (OCA) (FBI) [REDACTED] (CTD)
(FBI); ExecSec (RMD); [REDACTED] (RMD) (FBI)
Cc: [REDACTED] (OCA) (FBI); [REDACTED] (DO) (FBI)
Subject: RE: [REDACTED]

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If Exec Sec reassigns the the [REDACTED] as you requested then it would probably be most expeditious if OCA went directly to the OCIO to deal directly with any issues on this letter. Since AD Hulon is still on the copy count, he should review the letter after OCA and the CIO come to an agreement on this letter.

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Ruta Gedmintas

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED] (OCA) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, October 27, 2005 4:59 PM
To: GEDMINTAS, RUTA A. (CTD) (FBI) [REDACTED]
(CTD) (FBI); ExecSec (RMD); [REDACTED] (RMD) (FBI)
Cc: [REDACTED] (OCA) (FBI); [REDACTED] (DO)
(FBI)
Subject: RE: [REDACTED]

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Will do Ruta - will CTD be providing feedback on the issues we identified? or should I go to OCIO for all of these issues?

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[REDACTED]
Special Counsel
Office of Congressional Affairs
202-324 [REDACTED]

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From: GEDMINTAS, RUTA A. (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, October 27, 2005 4:55 PM
To: [REDACTED] (OCA) (FBI) [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] (CTD) (FBI); ExecSec (RMD); [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] (RMD) (FBI)
Cc: [REDACTED] (OCA) (FBI) [REDACTED]
(DO) (FBI)
Subject: RE: [REDACTED]

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The POC for the CIO for this matter is [REDACTED] Please

keep me apprised of the CIO's comments and/or approvals regarding this letter.

Thanks,

SSA Ruta Gedmintas
Executive Staff
202-324 [redacted]

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-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted] (OCA) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, October 27, 2005 12:00 PM
To: GEDMINTAS, RUTA A. (CTD) (FBI)
[redacted] (FBI); ExecSec (RMD) [redacted]
[redacted] (RMD) (FBI)
Cc: [redacted] (OCA) (FBI)
[redacted] (DO) (FBI)
Subject: RE: [redacted]

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After discussions with our AD, we've changed the format of the response slightly - see attached. Our office will sign a cover letter conveying the responses to the specific questions posed by Senators Feingold and Sununu. That change is reflected in the attached revised draft. We will need to get CTD and OIO signoff on the enclosure / response to questions. The substance of the responses has not changed from the draft that [redacted] sent this morning. Please review the revised substance and provide comments / responses to questions by OCA below. Also, please identify POC in OCIO - we will coordinate their review as well.

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ExecSec [redacted] please reassign this matter to OCA and extend the deadline to allow us to complete the necessary coordination.

Thanks much to CTD for all of your work on this to date. Please call if you have any questions.

[redacted]
Special Counsel
Office of Congressional Affairs
202-[redacted]

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-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted] (OCA) (FBI) b6
Sent: Thursday, October 27, 2005 8:42 AM b7C
To: GEDMINTAS, RUTA A. (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: [redacted] (OCA) (FBI)
[redacted] (DO) (FBI) [redacted]

[redacted] (OCA) (FBI)
Subject: FW: [redacted]

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Ruta: Here are additional OCA issues with
the proposed letter. Regards, [redacted]

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-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted] (OCA) (FBI)
Sent: Wednesday, October 26, 2005 5:54 PM
To: [redacted] (OCA) (FBI)
Subject: RE: [redacted]

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[redacted] attached is a proposed revised draft -
I had started working on this before I
understood that CTD had taken it back for
additional revision. The major re-write is in
response to Qs 1 & 2. Also , per your
observation, this information needs to be
conveyed in response to a committee
request, not just because Feingold asked the
questions - so I re-did the salutation / intro to
provide context for our responses.

My re-writes address a couple of your issues
below (para 1, answer 1 and para 1, answer
2). I agree with you that "routinely" in para 4,
answer 2 (now para 3 on FTTTF discussion in
answer 2) - it begs the question - under what
circumstances is the data ingested? We
should clarify this part of the response as well
as the sentence re white pages.

In addition, I think the following issues need
to be clarified or addressed.

1. In the GAO Rpt, the ICDM is described as
an initiative - i.e. not operation. To the extent
it is discussed in a limited manner in the CTD
response, we need to make sure that it is
completely operational. If so, my modified
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from? Without clarification, this feeds into the
concern that we could be collecting data on
individuals without predication.
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mishmash - I'm not sure what the answer is...
Maybe we say that "FTTTF refers to an

operational task force. We understand the question to ask about data mining initiatives of FTTTF" and then answer whether we've conducted an effectiveness study on the data mining initiative of FTTTF.

4. Answer 7 - what are National Security Systems and why is the significance of them having once been exempt from PIAs, but now PIAs are mandated?

thanks for the chance to weigh in...

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Special Counsel
Office of Congressional Affairs
202 [redacted]

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-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted] DCA) (FBI)

Sent: Tuesday, October 25, 2005

11:22 AM

To: [redacted] (OCA)

(FBI)

Subject: FW: [redacted]

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Here's the problem child. As you will see the preamble is problematic. In para 1 to Answer 1 - bringing up "profile" is not good, I suggest deleting the entire sentence. In para 1 to Answer 2 suggest dropping 52 (obvious follow-up is name them). In para 4 of Answer 2 - "routinely" concerns me likewise the last sentence. The answer to Question 5 is a mish-mash - I recommended deleting all reference to the Inspection process and personnel performance plans.

-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted] CTD)

(FBI)

Sent: Thursday, October 20, 2005

4:40 PM

To: ExecSec (RMD); [redacted]

[redacted] (OCA) (FBI) [redacted]

(OCA) (FBI)

Subject: FW [redacted]

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Sorry everyone but the white to Senator Feingold didn't attach properly....here it is.....

Thank you!!

[redacted]
Intelligence Analyst
CTD/Executive Staff
FBIHQ LX-1
Desk: (571) [redacted]
Secure [redacted]

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-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted] E. (CTD)
(FBI)
Sent: Thursday, October 20, 2005
4:37 PM
To: ExecSec (RMD)
B (OCA) (FBI)
(OCA) (FBI)
Subject: [redacted]
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Everyone:

Please review the attached draft response letters fo [redacted] and make revisions as appropriate to your office.

I have also included a copy of the original letter from Senator Feingold and Senator Sununu.

A great many people worked on, reviewed, and approved of the final draft of this letter, and please see the complete list of these individuals in the attached document entitled "Background Information for [redacted]"

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Please return the revisions to me via E-mail at your earliest convenience so that CTD can finalize the letters and obtain AD Hulon's signature (Due date is October 25, 2005).

Thank you so much!!

[REDACTED]
Intelligence Analyst
CTD/Executive Staff
FBIHQ LX [REDACTED]
Desk: (571) [REDACTED]
Secure [REDACTED]

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